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ATTACHES AND STAFFERS SCORE IN MERIT AWARDS



FRED ROSSITER



HENRY HOPP



DONALD MACDONALD

Attaches and attache office employees scored heavily in this year's USDA and FAS bestowal of Honor and Incentive Awards.

Departmental Superior Service Awards went to FRED J. ROSSITER, HENRY HOPP, and DONALD L. MACDONALD, agricultural attaches at Ottawa, Mexico City and Beirut, respectively, and a Unit Citation was awarded to the OFFICE OF THE AGRICULTURAL ATTACHE in Tokyo.

The Unit Citation was shared by Attache Joseph C. Dodson, Assistant Attaches Clyde R. Keaton, David R. Strobel, Donald J. Novotny, (now Agricultural Attache, Wellington) and Jimmy D. Minyard, and by the following office staffers: Mary K. Myers, sec-steno; Takeo F. Takeshita, econ. adviser; Tomitaro Sutani, agri. spec.; Taro J. Watanabe, agri. econ.; Akiko Ohta, clk-translator; Atsuko Kurokawa, sr.-sec.; Kuniharu Kiyomiya, misc. service clk.; Miho Yoshimura, clk-steno; Kinya Hatsuta,

trade liaison asst.; Yoshie Ogawa, admin. asst., and Takeo Nishizawa, agri. trade and promotion mgr.

Fred Rossiter won his award "for outstanding statesmanship in representing U.S. agriculture in Canada and for devoted leadership in building an effective Foreign Agricultural Service."

Henry Hopp was cited "for initiative and sustained high quality performance in furthering the interests of American agriculture abroad, and significant contribution to the objectives of the U.S. Embassy country team."

"Mac" MacDonald's award was "for sustained demonstration of superior abilities and personal qualities which greatly enhanced the interests of American agriculture abroad and contributed significantly to the endeavor of the Embassy Team."

The Tokyo office's citation was "for outstanding success in the promotion of markets for U.S. agricultural



L. to R. (seated) Mary L.E. Jones, Marie P. Distl, Sidonia R. DiCostanzo, Ruth G. Higgs, Eileen F. Gates, Carolyn M. Entwistle, Sonia P. Hancher, Donna J. Distad, R. Inez Bray. (Standing) Raymond H. Shegogue, Jr., Lyle P.

Schertz, Leo D. Wallace, Robert O. Link, Martin G. Schubkegel, Bennett D. Poage, Mildred S. Allen, Janette A. Peach, James O. Howard, Callan B. Duffy, Walter S. Greene, Herbert W. Ford, William S. Caras, William H. Cameron.

products." Japan is now the largest customer for U.S. farm commodities, taking about \$600 million worth annually.

Since none of the Department Honorees could be in Washington to receive the awards from Secretary of Agriculture Orville L. Freeman with the latter's personal congratulations, presentation was scheduled to be at their individual posts.

Within FAS and IADS, ability, hard work, and length of service were recognized by the two agencies jointly at impressive ceremonies in the Jefferson Auditorium April 28. The FAS incentive awards were made by Adm. Raymond A. Ioanes and those of IADS by Adm. Matthew Drosdoff following talks by Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for International Affairs Dorothy Jacobson, and Administrative Secretary of Agriculture Joseph M. Robertson. Joseph L. Phillips, FAS Personnel Director and Chairman of the FAS/IADS Incentive Awards Committee, was master of ceremonies.

FAS Incentive and Length-of-Service Awards went to the following (attache people in caps):

Outstanding Performance; MAY R. ARKUS, Ag. Att. Office, Mexico City; Janet F. Beal, Mgmt/FMI; Vera P. Higuera, Mgmt.; MOLLIE J. ILLER, Ag. Att. Office, Rome; MATILDA M. MICSKY, Ag. Att. Office, The Hague; Alice Fray Nelson, Mgmt/FMI; DONALD J. NOVOTNY, Asst. Ag. Att., Tokyo (now Ag. Att., Wellington); Catherine A. Railsback, Commodity Programs.

Sustained Above-Average Performance; Mildred S. Allen, Export Programs; R. Inez Bray, GSM; William H. Cameron, Commodity Programs; William S. Caras, Barter and Stockpiling; Sidonia R. Di Costanzo, Export Programs; Donna J. Distad, GSM; Marie P. Distl, Commodity Programs; Herbert W. Ford, Commodity Programs; Eileen F. Gates, Barter and Stockpiling; Callan P. Duffy, GSM, San Francisco Office; Carolyn M. Entwistle, Commodity Programs; Walter S. Greene, GSM; Sonia P. Hancher, Mgmt.; Gerald L. Healey, Export Programs; PAUL A. HESS, Ag. Att. Office, Bonn; Ruth G. Higgs, Commodity Programs; HENRY HOPP, Ag. Att., Mexico City; James O. Howard, Export Programs; Mary L.E. Jones, Commodity Programs; BHORNCHAI KUNALAI, Ag. Att.

(*) Persons unable to attend ceremony not in pictures.

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE (*)



L to R Alice Fray Nelson, May R. Arkus, Janet F. Beal and Vera P. Higuera.



When William H. Shepherd, Mgmt., won a Sustained Above-Average Performance Certificate, he was unable to attend the FAS annual merit award ceremony to receive it because of convalescence from serious surgery. So the presentation was made to him in his home by W.A. Minor, Asst. Adm., Mgmt. Participating in the special ceremony were (L to R) Oneta S. Bear, Chf., Records & For. Reports Br.; Maynard F. Saunders, supervisory clk.; Mr. Minor; Mrs. Shepherd; Mr. Shepherd; Ruth Donovan, Dir., Admin. Services Div., and W.M. Seabron, USDA Asst. Dir. of Personnel.

Office, Bangkok; Robert O. Link, Barter and Stockpiling; DONALD L. MACDONALD, Ag. Att., Beirut; Janette A. Peach; Madeleine Piho, Commodity Programs; Bennett D. Poage, Int'l. Trade; FRED J. ROSSITER, Ag. Att., Ottawa; Lyle P. Schertz, Commodity Programs; Martin G. Schubkegel, Jr., Mgmt./FMI; Raymond H. Shegogue, Jr., Export Programs; William H. Shepherd, Mgmt.; Raymond E. Vickery, Commodity Programs; CARLOS A. VIEIRA, Ag. Att. Office, Salisbury; Leo D. Wallace, Export Programs; Lynda F. West, Barter and Stockpiling; EDRIS THERESA TANG YUK, Ag. Att. Office, Port-of-Spain. Unit Award; Office of the Agricultural Attache, Tokyo (see names on preceding page).

30-Year Length of Service; Madelene L. Adams, Gladys Ancheta, May W. Anderson, ROBERT N. ANDERSON, (Ag. Att., London), Charles H. Barber, George H. Day, John H. Dean, Cecil M. Deaver, Anthony R. DeFelice, Francis R. Donohue, Amanda M. Halford, Harry W. Henderson, Harald C. Larsen, Robert O. Link, John J. Moriarty, Cecille M. Protzman, HUGH V. ROBINSON, (Ag. Att., Stockholm), Inez D. Seastrand, and Clifton C. Warren.

Attache employees receiving 20-year service awards were ANNELIESE C. BUENO, Sao Paulo; GEORG FROSTENSON, Stockholm; DE RAJ GUIATI, New Delhi; ROBERTO SOLIS, Mexico City, and SAMUEL H. WORK, Ag. Att., Bangkok.

The IADS Awards went to: Emily W. Allen, Office of the Administrator--Outstanding Performance. Roberta B. Clark, Eleanor L. Rothlisberger, Earl B. Terwilliger, and Alice R. Wright, all of Foreign Training Division--Sustained Above-Average Performance.

Awards for 30 years service were presented to Charles J. Bryant, Margaret M. Condon, Virginia H. Lemmich, and Ross J. Silkett.

(*) Persons unable to attend ceremony not in pictures.

JOHN B. HUTSON DIES



John B. Hutson, for many years a distinguished USDA career official long active in the field of foreign agriculture and foreign market development, died May 5 of a heart attack in Brussels, Belgium. He was 73 years old.

Mr. Hutson in the 20's was one of the old-time overseas Agricultural Commissioners before the title of Agricultural Attache was used for the first time in 1930 in referring to our representatives abroad. He was President of Tobacco Associates, Inc., and a former Under Secretary of Agriculture and Assistant Secretary General of the United Nations.

He was Principal Marketing Specialist of the Foreign Agricultural Service Division of BAE from 1930 to 1933. He later became Assistant Administrator of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration in 1936, serving until 1940. He was named Under Secretary of Agriculture in 1945. In March, 1946 Secretary General Trygve Lie of the United Nations named him Assistant Secretary General in charge of administrative, financial and personnel activities.

Born on a farm near Murray, Ky., Mr. Hutson taught agricultural economics at

the University of Kentucky before joining the Department. He held a Bachelor's degree from that institution, a Master's from the University of Wisconsin, and a Ph.D. from Columbia University. He leaves a daughter and three grandsons.

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APPROPRIATIONS REPORT

The House Appropriations Committee report on May 8 provided for the Foreign Agricultural Service an appropriation equal to the appropriation for 1964 plus necessary additional costs for the pay increase effective last January. They disallowed \$1,698,000 which was requested in the budget for market development projects. \$935,000 of this was to replace funds available in non excess currency countries in 1964 under the Special Foreign Currency Appropriation which will not be available in 1965. Hearings have not yet been held in the Senate.

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MUSIC HATH CHARMS. Paul Ferree, Ag. Att., Leopoldville, found a mouth harp effective in making friends with some of his "constituents"--Pygmies in the Congo.

WELCOME TO DOROTHY

Dorothy H. Jacobson, recently named Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for International Affairs, the highest rank ever held by a woman in USDA, was given a rousing and cordial welcome to the foreign agricultural field by FAS'ers at a late-April luncheon.

In informal talks, Adm. Raymond A. Ioanes described FAS' "great respect for all the qualities, intellectual and human" of the Assistant Secretary, and Mrs. Jacobson expressed assurance that the pleasant and effective working associations with FAS in the past as an Assistant to Secretary Freeman would continue.



Confidence in the continuance of her past effective working relationship with FAS was expressed by Dorothy H. Jacobson, (left) newly named Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for International Affairs at a luncheon by FAS'ers in her honor. To Mrs. Jacobson's right: Adm. Raymond A. Ioanes, Under Secretary Charles S. Murphy, and Dr. Matthew Drosdoff, IADS Adm.

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AFIF REPORTS ON TRIP

Area Officer Afif Tannous returned recently from visits to a number of Agricultural Attache Posts in Africa and the Near East.

He summarized his observations at FAS Staff meeting, emphasizing the increasing significance of the FAS Program abroad, the diligent endeavors of the Agricultural Attaches to meet increasing demands and responsibilities, and the critical role played by timely FAS response and support to the Attaches. He was gratified about the fine job being done by the Africa and Near East Attaches in spite of many difficulties and frustrations.

Also, he reported on the personal and humorous side, such as:

Dan Brady at Lagos keeping a daily watch from his office window over the ocean horizon, hoping for arrival of the

ship carrying his long-promised jeep before the heavy seasonal rains.

Neil Witting, and his wife and two boys taking happily to Monrovia like ducks to water--literally so, with a lovely ocean beach just below their ocean-front dream house.

Gordon and Mrs. Loveless at Rabat enjoying Kouskous and warm Moroccan friendships.

The MacDonalds, Beirut, happily melting into the heart of Lebanese ways of living, especially that famous Lebanese "milk".

Jim Hutchins, Cairo, so much preoccupied with house repairs, office demands and other worries that he has not yet had time to go Nile-dreaming with his charming "Cleopatra"; and

The Loyd Adcocks preparing to descend from their great heights at Addis Ababa to lower levels, for home leave and transfer.

SECRETARY FREEMAN VISITS INDIA



When Secretary of Agriculture Orville L. Freeman attended a Southeast Asia development meeting in India in April, he conferred extensively with U.S. and Indian officials regarding food production and food aid. He is shown above during a typical such discussion in New Delhi. (L. to r.) Ram Subhag Singh, Indian Minister for Agriculture; Sardar Swaran Singh, Indian Minister of Food and Agriculture; Harry Varney, Ag. Att., Karachi; Samuel H. Work, Ag. Att., Bangkok; Secretary Freeman; Asok Mehta, Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission; Horace J. Davis, Ag. Att., New Delhi, and A.M. Thomas, Indian Minister for Food.



During his visit to India, Secretary Freeman (right center) and Ambassador Chester Bowles greeted Mr. H. Lal (left), Additional Secretary and Director General of Food of the Government of India at a reception held in Secretary Freeman's honor at Roosevelt House in New Delhi. To the Secretary's right, Ag. Att. Horace J. Davis, New Delhi, is welcoming Ag. Att. Harry Varney, Karachi, while Ag. Att. Samuel H. Work, Bangkok, is in the rear of the reception line.

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GET TOGETHER ON FUTBOLITO

At a "get acquainted" Embassy luncheon in Montevideo, U.S. and Uruguayan officials try their skill at a game of "futbolito". (L. to r.) Minister of Livestock and Agriculture Wilson Ferreira Aldunate; Congressman Alberto Vaz; Ambassador Wymberley DeR. Coerr, and Ag. Att. Henry L. Buckardt. (Non-playing observer in rear not identified).



Ra M BLING

a R O U N D

Walter A. Stern, Asst. Att., London, is transferring to Asst. Att., Manila.

Russ Hudson, Agr'l Off., Hamburg, visited the Attache office in Bonn in May before annual leave tripping through parts of Europe and North Africa.

May (April) Arkus home-leaved in Chicago from Mexico City recently, later dropping by Washington for consultation.

Other callers at FAS/Wash have included Fred J. Rossiter, Ag. Att., Ottawa; Robert H. Wuhrman, Asst. Att., Rome; Marshall D. Fox, Ag. Att., San Jose, Costa Rica; and Richard A. "Dick" Smith, Asst. Att., Bogota.

William J. "Bill" Edens, Ag. Att., Pretoria, recently made a study, which attracted press attention in South Africa, of potential beef production in that country. He reported that if plans materialize for the use of fertilizer and the right type of grass, South Africa might develop into one of the great beef producing countries of the world.

TOBACCO ECONOMIC ASSISTANT RETIRES



Mary L.E. Jones, economic assistant in FAS' Tobacco Div. for 19 years, retired April 24 after 46 years of government service. Miss Jones' first federal position was with the War Department's Chief Ordnance in

1918. She joined OFAR in 1945. She will continue to live in the Washington area at 2001 Amherst Road, West Hyattsville, Md.

Miss Mary Grant is Area Off. Paul Taggart's new secretary. Mary came to us from Forest Service with whom she spent 3 years in Washington and 9 at FS' research center in her home town, La Grande, Oregon. She's a graduate of Gonzaga University, Spokane, Wash.

To Dale Farringer, Program Development Division, has gone Washington area newspaper credit for a now-in-operation idea for a lapidary project to help patients at the National Orthopedic and Rehabilitation Hospital in Arlington. The project consists of cutting, polishing, buffing and mounting of precious stones.

R.L. "Bob" Gastineau, Dir., Operations Anal. Div., is being kept busy by the widespread public interest in the implications of the Common Market for American agriculture. He spoke recently on the subject before the Washington Chapter of the American Marketing Association, and is scheduled for a similar talk later before the American Cotton Congress in Waco, Texas.

James C. Frink, former v-p of Tobacco Associates, Inc., is going to Tokyo as Assistant Attache.



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